

**Prudence
Improvement
Association**



NEWSLETTER

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Dear PIA Members,

Another winter has gone by and we hope we have seen the last snow fall for the season, fingers crossed. The island is slowly waking up and becoming more active. Many residents are returning for the first time since Narragansett Ave was paved. It is a wonderfully smooth ride and looks good, however it is very easy to drive fast on. We'd like to remind everyone that the speed limit is 20mph and to try to make a real effort to keep your speed low as the season grows with many children on bikes and walking to the beach, etc. 2017 dump stickers are needed to use the transfer station and can be purchased at the Portsmouth Town Hall. One-day and weekly passes can be purchased at the PI department of public works also.

This year we are planning to carry the same events as last year. Monday nights arts and crafts all ages, Tuesday & Wednesday nights PYO events, Thursday sip & stoke painting and Friday night Bingo. The Island Market has been changed to a "Pop Up Market" free for member vendors only. Same place and time but not every weekend. The weekends are left open for hall rentals to help pay the bills. Anyone looking to rent the hall can contact Terri Lima or go to our website and download a form.

www.Prudenceimprovement.org The season starts with Friday night bingo June 2, @ 8:00.

The replacing of the PIA roof, gutters and trim is scheduled for May 2017 prior to the season starting. We need your membership and support to see this through along with our fund raising events and community donations. We had hoped to wait until the fall so we would have the income of another season but the insurance company shot those plans down. If those 3 items are not replaced and fixed, no insurance - plain and simple. We have asked Ricky Brooks, one of the PIA maintenance people, to lead this project along with the rest of the island crews' help.

Last year's Summer Solstice Cruise was well received so we have decided to do it again with a few changes. We will provide a light dinner of sandwiches, soup, chips, dessert and bottled water and a DJ, we hope to see some dancing this year. Passengers may bring their own beverage of choice and a chair to set up on deck as we cruise up the Mt. Hope Bay. Remember it gets cooler when the sun goes down. During this trip there will be a 50/50 raffle. We anticipate the trip to be 7pm to 9pm, leaving from Prudence Pier.

If the weather goes bad we will have the party at the PIA hall.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

The PIA is looking to increase its membership again this year. The organization depends on the annual dues to fund maintenance and improvements. This year we are in need of a new roof and some of the equipment needs replacing.

The PIA is host to many activities throughout the summer both weekends and evenings for children, teens and adults. You can shop at the Annual Craft Fair or enjoy the Chowder Cook-Off and relax Friday nights at weekly Bingo. Children enjoy weekly Game and Movie nights, while teens can accrue hours towards PYO trips by working at the Snack Shack and serving on the PYO board. This year for each membership we will send you a 2017 Tide Chart. Renew your membership early and you will be eligible to attend the Summer Solstice Members-only Cruise to Mount Hope Bay. See the table below for a list of further PIA Membership benefits.

If you are one of the PIA's loyal members, we thank you for your support.
If you haven't joined yet, please consider it. We have a lot of fun!

2017 MEMBER BENEFITS

JOIN THE PIA \$ 15. Individual Membership \$25. Family Membership	Free Tide Chart with Membership	
SUMMER SOLSTICE MEMBER ONLY CRUISE June 17 7-9 pm Cruise around the island, space is limited	\$20/member Light dinner BYOB	
BINGO Friday 8:15 June 2 nd – September 8 th	\$15./7 games	\$15./Bingo plus \$3./one- day membership
ISLAND POP UP MARKET Check Saturday Morning 9:30-11:30 July-August	VENDORS Free	
PYO - CRAFT FAIR July 15 9 am-Noon	VENDORS \$20./table	VENDORS \$25./table
PYO: Officers and Workers	Family Membership required	
HALL RENTAL	Members Only	

PIA FINANCIAL REPORT JANUARY 2016 – DECEMBER 2016

Bingo ended the year with a bank balance of \$4,985. The game income for the season was \$12,967 and the prize payout was \$10,651. Bingo donated \$13,000 to the PIA for the Roof Project.

The PYO ended the year with a bank balance of \$3,515. The Snack Shack had an income of \$3,508 and the Craft Fair brought in \$290. Expenses for the Snack Shack in 2016 came to \$1,803. The two-day winter trip cost \$3,024 and the summer trip \$497.

The PIA bank balance at the end of 2016 was \$26,593. Below are highlights for both PIA income and expenses in 2016.

	Income	Expense
Membership	\$4,782.	\$926.
Cruise	1010	783
Donations	4,784.	
Hall Rentals	1,110.	
Silent Auction	690.	
Island Market	225.	
Chowder Cook-Off	3,125.	377.
Game Dinner	2,476.	1,400.
Business Expenses		1092.
Janitorial		880.
Yard Maintenance		480.
Utilities		2,888.
Insurance		4,810.
Supplies		1,260.
Travel		85.
Inspections		700.

PIA Hall Rental

Having a party? Call Terri Lima event coordinator, 401 835-2642. Whether it's a bridal shower, baby shower, anniversary, birthday family reunion, or wedding, you can rent the PIA hall. Some Saturdays and all Sundays are available June thru October. Remember: You must be a member of the PIA to rent the hall. You can get a rental form online @ www.prudenceimprovement.org or stop by the hall. Very reasonable rates. Many dates still open.

Bingo

Are you ready for an exciting Friday night on Prudence? Come to Bingo. Doors open @ 7:30pm when Dinner is ready to be served. Calling starts at 8:15 sharp. This year we are adding "The Queen of Hearts Game" It's very popular at other clubs and will offer those who don't want to play bingo a chance to win a little extra money. We've had a great last couple of years with attendance averaging 35 – 50 players each Friday so the prize money has been going up up up .

Come out and see if you can win. Half of all the proceeds goes to hall improvements and the rest is for all the winners. Starting the first Friday in June.



PYO



The mission of the PYO (Prudence Youth Organization) is to give back to the Island community, get involved in PIA functions and raise money to fund some of our own really cool trips! During the summer you can find us behind the snack shack, selling food and refreshments during Wednesday Movie Night or bingo on Fridays.

Tuesday night is game night 6:30pm to 9:00pm and is a great way to stay active and meet new people for kids and adults alike. This year we will play kids bingo at 8pm, it's free but you must be under 18 years old to play. Prizes are toys or snack shack coupons and a mystery prize nightly. It's also a big hit with islanders of all ages since we added the ice cream bar from 7PM to 8PM. These events are chaperoned by adult volunteers who have lent us their time. Please consider signing up for a night, volunteers help keep this program going.

Wednesday night is Movie night. Movies start at 7pm sharp with a G or PG movie. At 8:30 if there's an interest we play a PG-13 movie. Children under the age of 10 must be accompanied by an adult. The snack shack is open from 7pm to 9pm.



Because you cannot officially be a part of the PYO when you turn 18, we are always looking for new members and invite all kids to join by contacting one of us or stopping by one of our meetings held at the PIA. Not only does becoming a member look fantastic on a college application or resume, but you get to come with us on some awesome trips.



On the 3rd Saturday in July every year we host a Craft fair. This year it's July 15, 2017, 9am to 12 noon. Rent a table.
Sign up at any PYO or PIA event



President – Jessie Barrett
Vice President – Vanessa Vargas
Secretary – Raya Young
Treasurer – Edgar Hammond

PYO Game Night starts Tuesday June 20th @ 6:30pm to 9:00pm
Movie Night starts Wednesday June 21st @ 7:00pm

PIA Events 2017

BINGO

PIA Hall
Fridays (June 2 - September 8)
Doors open at 7:30 Calling starts at 8:00pm
You must be 18 years or older to play.

PIA Annual Meeting & Summer Solstice Cruise

PIA Hall
June 17, 2017
9:00am Meeting
7:00pm Summer Solstice Members Cruise

PIA Craft Night

PIA Hall
Mondays (July 10 – August 28)
6:30pm – 9:00pm **small material fee**
approx. \$5.00

PYO Game Night & make your own Sundaes

PIA Hall
Tuesdays (June 20 - August 29)
6:30 - 9:30pm

PYO Movie Night

PIA Hall
Wednesdays, June 21 - August 30)
7:00pm G & 8:30pm PG13

PIA Chowder & Stuffie Cook-Off

PIA Hall
July 8
Chowder & Stuffie Cook-off: 5pm until all gone, usually around 630pm

PYO Craft Fair

PIA Hall
July 15
9am - Noon

BINGO Blast

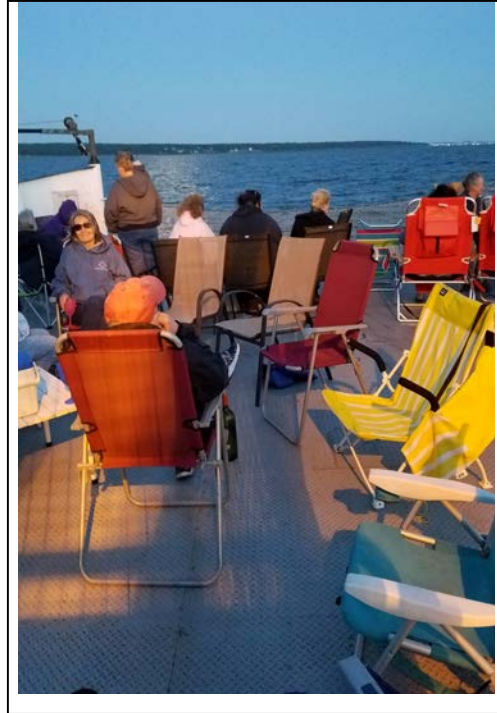
PIA Hall
September 29, 2017
12 noon

PYO Halloween Pot Luck Party

PIA Hall
Sat, Oct 28
6pm

PIA Game Dinner

PIA Hall
Sat, Nov 4th
12 noon \$20.00





Starts Friday June 2nd

Calling @ 8:15 pm.

Kitchen opens @ 7:30 pm

Queen of Hearts ticket sales start at 7:00 pm, Drawing at 8:30 pm.



Prudence Improvement Association
PO Box 1017
Prudence Island, RI 02872

PIA Annual Meeting

Saturday June 17, 2017 @ 9am



PIA Members

Summer Solstice Cruise

Departing Prudence Pier @ 7pm
cruising under the Mt Hope bridge
and continuing up the Mt Hope
Bay. Lite Dinner and Music by Pro
Sound DJ Entertainment. BYOB,
bring a deck chair and Dress warm



Prudence Improvement Associations

13th Annual

Chowder & Stuffie Cook-Off

PIA Hall – Saturday, July 8th @ 5pm
Come fill your “bellies” and see who
will face off & produce the best
chowder & stuffie. Please remember
that the Chowder cook-off is an
important fund-raiser for the PIA,
allowing the PIA to continue to
provide the community with a place
to congregate, socialize, entertain and
meet people.

